



# WORLDINFO

News for Key Leaders in **Scouting**

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## 1. Governance Review Task Force

Three consultation papers prepared by the Governance Review Task Force were sent to all National Scout Organizations (NSOs) with Circular No. 33/2009. These papers deal with the following subjects: *Representation and Communications, Operations, and World and Regional Committees*.

If your NSO has not yet sent its comments on the consultation papers, please note that **the deadline for responses is 31 January 2010**. You can download the Circular here: [www.scout.org/en/information\\_events/resource\\_centre/circulars/2009/circular\\_n\\_33\\_november\\_2009](http://www.scout.org/en/information_events/resource_centre/circulars/2009/circular_n_33_november_2009)

In addition, a previous paper prepared by the Governance Review Task Force for the World Scout Committee, on the subject of *WOSM Membership*, has been added to the Governance Review pages on the WOSM website. This, and additional information, can be found at:

[www.scout.org/en/our\\_organisation/governance/task\\_force](http://www.scout.org/en/our_organisation/governance/task_force)

## 2. Roundtable on Federations

One of the subjects dealt with in the Governance Review Task Force's paper on *WOSM Membership*, which was discussed by the World Scout Committee at its meeting in September 2009, is the question of Federations, i.e. National Scout Organizations which are composed of more than one association.

The World Scout Committee decided that it would be useful to organise a roundtable discussion on Federations within WOSM to inform the Committee's consideration of the Governance Review Task Force's recommendations on this matter.

Taking advantage of the presence of a large number of NSOs from the European Region - including Federations and NSOs which are single-association bodies - at the European Symposium being held in Budapest, Hungary, in early March 2010, this roundtable meeting will take place at the Hotel Benczur in Budapest on the afternoon of Sunday 7 March 2010 from 14.00 to 17.30 hours. The roundtable is open to all NSOs in WOSM, whether Federations or single associations. If your NSO is interested in attending, please contact the World Scout Bureau ([worldbureau@scout.org](mailto:worldbureau@scout.org)) as soon as possible. Further information will be sent to all those who express their interest in attending. There will be no fee for the event, but those attending will need to cover their own travel and (if needed) accommodation expenses.

## 3. Staff changes in the World Scout Bureau

The support provided by all Offices of the World Scout Bureau is to assist the development of National Scout Organizations. In an effort to provide that support more directly to NSOs, three Unit Manager staff positions previously based in Geneva are being relocated to three of the Regional Offices, with the creation of positions titled Development Support Manager. Around 50% of the responsibilities of these new positions will be to provide support to NSOs in the Region and the other 50% of the role will be to maintain support to a specific area of work globally.

In this context, two vacancies have arisen. The post of Development Support Manager in the Asia-Pacific Regional Office, providing support to the Region and supporting environment education in Scouting, is currently being advertised on the web-site [www.scout.org/jobs](http://www.scout.org/jobs). Please circulate this information to people who may be interested in applying.

A similar post in the Interamerican Regional Office, providing support to the Region and supporting our work with adolescents and young adults, will be advertised once the new Regional Director has been appointed.

The Geneva-based positions of Unit Manager, Adolescents and Young Adults (currently held by Andres Morales), of Unit Manager, Education for All and Spiritual Development (held by Srinath Tirumale Venugopal) and of Unit Manager, Environment Education (held by Rod Abson) are those affected by this restructuring. All three members of staff concerned were offered the opportunity to re-locate to a Regional Office as Development Support Managers and Srinath has accepted this offer and will re-locate to the Africa Region by 1 May, 2010. Andres and Rod will leave their roles as Unit Managers on 31 March 2010.

We wish Andres and Rod well in their future careers and thank them for their professional support to World Scouting and hope that this support will continue in the future in a voluntary capacity.

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